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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC.

We had to install a physical copper land line in order to comply with licensing requirements for a daycare.

AT&T would have charged an arm and a leg or steered us to a technology that did not meet the regulation requirements, Sonic offered a cheaper landline/DSL bundle.

given the critical nature of telecommunications in todays world, control of that system cannot be allowed to reside with one provider, who will work to kill competition, while maintaining minimum standards at the maximum cost to the user.

Competition drives innovation and creativity. allowing a monopoly smothers it.

If the US is to remain relevant and competitive on the global market, innovation is the only way to get there.

Being satisfied with a minimum and expensive standard will drive up US costs and insure we are always late to market.

There, from a personal and national point of view. Net neutrality and competition are the only viable solution.

Yours Sincerely,

Stephen Murphy